

# BANKS AT MORGAN AND SALT LAKE ROBBED

## Office Holders Under Fire

### TRIPS TO S. F. CONVENTION IN JULY PROBED

"Stars and Stripes" Secretary Brings Charges Against Senator Edge

PAPER UNABLE TO GET ADS. IS ASSERTION

Committee Wants to Know if U. S. Money Paid for Political Visits

WASHINGTON, Sept. 24.—The Stars and Stripes, a soldier publication, is controlled by the Democratic national committee and the American Legion Weekly, another soldier publication, is controlled by the Republican national committee, Joseph L. Heffernan, secretary-treasurer of the Stars and Stripes Publishing company, testified today before the senate campaign investigating committee.

Heffernan also testified that a man named Waldo, purporting to represent the Du Pont interests, had sought to obtain control of the Stars and Stripes and when he failed to do so he threatened that the publication would receive no advertising from large interests. The witness added that the paper had been unable to obtain advertising from such interests.

When asked by the committee that "ten of us who got out the paper on the other side" had organized the publishing company here and owned most of the stock, Heffernan said he had no knowledge of the matter.

"I saw that Mrs. E. M. Parks, told her of the situation and asked for some help," he said.

"She was the secretary of W. D. Jamieson, director of finance for the Democratic national committee, wasn't she?" asked Senator Edge, Republican of New Jersey.

"I think so," Heffernan continued.

"We came to an arrangement by which 100,000 shares of the corporation stock were issued. The ten of us engaged in the publication took 49,000 shares and 51,000 were assigned to her. She had so far furnished \$45,000 of the publication."

"Does that come from Mrs. Parks personally or the national committee?" Chairman Kenyon asked.

"I have no way of knowing," Heffernan replied.

"So we have a situation by which this paper is controlled by the Democratic national committee?" asked Chairman Kenyon.

"Yes."

The witness then declared the American Legion Weekly is controlled by the Republican national committee.

"How can you make that statement?" demanded Senator Edge.

Heffernan mentioned Theodore Roosevelt, Jr., as one of the founders of the American Legion and declared that Scott C. Bonn, director of publicity for the Republican national committee, had said that the Republican national committee controlled the legion weekly.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 24.—The right of Senator Edge, Republican of New Jersey, to participate in any investigation by the senate campaign investigating committee into the political activities of the "Stars and Stripes," a soldier publication, was challenged before the committee today by Joseph L. Heffernan, secretary of the publishing company.

He said he had information that Senator Edge was involved in "some scheme, whatever it is, against us."

Heffernan previously had testified that his paper, despite "a bona fide circulation" of 100,000, had been unable to obtain advertising. He said he had information that Senator Edge recently had participated in conferences with men interested in preventing the "Stars and Stripes" from obtaining advertising.

### NEGRO SLAYER HANGED; BOASTS OF MANY CRIMES

SAN QUENTIN, Cal., Sept. 24.—Mose Gibson, negro slayer of Roy G. Trapp, rancher of Fullerton, Cal., and of Jacob Erhardt and wife of Phoenix, Ariz., was hanged at the state penitentiary here at 10:19 a. m. today. He was pronounced dead in twelve minutes. Following his arrest Gibson stated that he killed four other people, but the authorities could not prove this statement.

### AMAZING TURN TAKEN BY L. A. MURDER CASE

Cause of Death and How Buried in Sealed Room Both Mysteries

LOS ANGELES, Calif., Sept. 24.—A preliminary post mortem examination of the body of Jacob Charles Denton, found buried in a sealed room to the cellar of his home, having disclosed no marks of violence, detectives searched today for evidence as to how the wealthy mining promoter came to his death.

Officers previously had expressed the theory that Denton had been shot or stabbed. The shooting theory was favored because a revolver, fully loaded, but with one cartridge of a wrong calibre, had been found in a room which Denton had reserved for his own use, leaving the rest.

Stories by Los Angeles friends as to when Denton was last seen differed as to the date. Some placed it at June 2, while others named August 19 as the time he dropped from sight.

Judge Russ Avery, of the Los Angeles superior court, friend and attorney of the dead man, made public portions of a recent will drawn by Denton. This document disposed of the bulk of his property to Francis Denton, daughter of his first and deceased wife, now going to school in Phoenix, Ariz.

He also wrote Judge Avery: "If anything should happen to me, or in case of death, which must come sometime, I hereby appoint you my attorney in fact, and together with Joel Denton, Lawson, Mo., the administrator of my estate."

Joel Denton is another of the dead man's police said.

DENVER, Colo., Sept. 24.—Mrs. R. C. Peete, who occupied for two months the Los Angeles house where the body of Jacob Charles Denton was found yesterday, said today that she would start for Los Angeles tomorrow to tell the authorities all she knows about the case.

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### PAGEANT TO BE FIRST FEATURE OF LEGION MEET

Governor Cox and Senator Harding Send Messages of Welcome to Veterans

CLEVELAND PREPARES FOR HUGE THROGS

Three-Day Convention of Great Organization to Begin Monday

CLEVELAND, O., Sept. 24.—Indications today were that the largest crowd that ever visited Cleveland will be here for the parade of the American Legion, which will be held Monday afternoon, the opening day of the three-day convention.

The parade will be more of a pageant, typifying the spirit of the legion and the spirit with which the United States went into the war, Franklin D. Oiler, national commander, declared.

Mayor Fitzgerald has proclaimed a half holiday during the parade. Approximately 20,000 men and women are expected to march.

Messages of greeting were received today from Senator Warren G. Harding, Republican presidential nominee; Governor James M. Cox, Democratic presidential candidate; Secretary of War Baker and Secretary of the Navy Daniels.

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### BABE RUTH HITS OUT HIS FIFTIETH HOMER OF YEAR

NEW YORK, Sept. 24.—"Babe" Ruth, heavy hitter of the New York Americans, made his 50th home run of the season in the first inning of today's game with the Washington club at the polo grounds. Ruth made another home run—his fifty-first—in the first inning of the second game. The ball went into deep right field bleachers. Shaw of Washington was pitching against him.

### FRENCH LOOK ON U. S. PLANES AS DEATH TRAPS

Machines Entered in Aviation Cup Race Viewed With Apprehension

PARIS, Sept. 24.—No elimination trials of American entries for the forthcoming international aviation cup race will be held, the special committee of the Aero club of America, decided today. The three machines which will fly the race, the Spad, the Spivey and the Spivey, will be selected by the committee on the field Monday morning. The committee's decision will be final. No appeal from the committee's decision will be permitted.

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### NEW HEAD OF CABINET HAS RECORD IN WAR

Premier Leagues Served as Minister of Marine Under "Tiger"

OFFICIAL KNOWN AS LAWYER AND AUTHOR

President Millerand Cheered by Throgs Following His Election

PARIS, Sept. 24.—(By the Associated Press.)—Georges Leygues, minister of marine in the Clemenceau cabinet, has accepted a call to the first premiership under President Millerand's administration. It was announced this afternoon. He will likewise act as foreign minister.

It is understood the other ministers of the Millerand cabinet will retain their posts.

Georges Leygues, who became minister of marine when Premier Clemenceau formed his cabinet in November, 1917, a few months after the entry of the United States in the war, served in that post throughout the remainder of the world conflict, contributing notably to the success of the allies in the long struggle they waged toward the curbing of German submarine warfare. He retired from ministerial office last January with the resignation of M. Clemenceau.

Leygues began his political career as a member of the chamber, which he entered in 1884. Subsequently, he held posts in the cabinets of Dupuy, Ribot, Waldeck-Rousseau and Sarrien. He is a lawyer and a writer of considerable prominence on historical, political, economic and literary subjects. His political affiliations have been with the group of the Republicans of the left. He will be 62 years of age in November.

MILLERAND CHEERED.—The president of the republic was cheered by the crowds that gathered at the Elysee Palace. In acknowledgment of the greetings of the crowds, the president kept bowing and smiling.

M. Millerand takes office for full seven years. In his election, M. Millerand received the highest number of votes. The French president, the election of M. Thiers being unanimous, and M. Deschanel receiving 724 votes, Millerand's vote was 695.

Out of sympathy for the Deschanel family, Madame Millerand did not attend the ceremony.

During his brief stay at Elysee, M. Millerand was decorated with the insignia of the Grand Officer of the Legion of Honor and the collar of the Grand Master of the Order, the duties of which devolve upon him as president.

EX-EMPEROR DELIGHTED BY CHEERS OF DUTCH.—The former emperor of Germany, Kaiser Wilhelm, today turned over to village authorities the little hospital he had ordered built as a memorial for the asylum which Amerongen gave him when he fled Germany.

He returned from the solitude of the house of Doorn, where he resides, to Amerongen, which was gaily decorated. For the first time since he came to Holland, he was the central figure in a little scene of pomp.

The people, who heretofore had been without a hospital, fairly bombarded the former emperor with bouquets and words of thanks when his automobile left on the return to Doorn. His bearded face bore a continuous smile of delight.

This was the first enthusiastic public demonstration which William Hohenzollern had received since he gave up the throne.

All cheered his presentation speech of the former emperor.

In the reception room of the hospital hang pictures of Wilhelm and his wife, wearing their crowns and also a likeness of Queen Wilhelmina.

The structure was built and completely furnished by the ex-emperor at a cost of 100,000 florins. It contains eight beds.

DESTROYERS COLLIDE IN SAN DIEGO MANEUVERS.—The United States destroyer "Bailey" was laid up here for repairs as the result of a collision with the destroyer "Swasey" during maneuvers off this port.

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### Rich American Woman Trusts Friend; Loses Pearl Necklace

LONDON, Sept. 24.—Solicitors representing Mrs. John Spreckels, Jr., of California, have instructed the police to inaugurate extradition proceedings for William Barrett, an American, who is reported to be under surveillance of the police of Los Angeles, Cal., as a warrant charging Barrett with the theft of a pearl necklace valued at \$15,000 was issued on the application of Mrs. Spreckels in the Marlborough police court September 17.

Mrs. Spreckels is at a West End hotel and will wait the return of her husband who is in Norway.

Her secretary said today that Mrs. Spreckels met Barrett, whom she had known several years, at the Sandown race course some months ago and as she was acquainted in London he offered to introduce her to his friends.

The secretary declared Mrs. Spreckels requested him to attend to some dealings for her with jewelers and gave him the necklace, which she wanted cleaned and restringed. Time elapsed but Barrett avoided discussion as to the whereabouts of the necklace, the secretary said, and eventually left London. His continued absence determined Mrs. Spreckels to inaugurate proceedings which resulted in the issuance of the police court warrant.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Sept. 24.—William Barrett, for whose arrest a warrant was reported to have been issued in London, September 17, in connection with the theft of a pearl necklace valued at \$15,000, the property of Mrs. John Spreckels, Jr., was said to be visiting friends in a suburb of Los Angeles today.

Barrett visited the district attorney's office here Wednesday accompanied by a detective, who then passed the night with him at a downtown hotel. It was there he was under arrest. Yesterday afternoon Barrett parted company from the detective.

Barrett is nothing criminal in my connection with Mrs. Spreckels and her jewels and as soon as my London solicitor can investigate the matter, I am sure that it will be cleared of implication."

ENGLISH MINERS DELAY STRIKE ACTION FOR WEEK.—LONDON, Sept. 24.—As a result of a further conference with the president of the National Union of Coal Miners, the miners' executive body decided today to recommend to the delegates of the miners who are armed bandits shortly to leave the strike notices, which are effective Saturday, be suspended one week to enable the miners to meet the owners as suggested by the premier.

The miners' proposal was that a basic line be fixed for coal output at a sufficiently low level to insure a wage increase if any reasonable rate of production is maintained.

The recommendation of the executive body was followed by the miners' delegates at their meeting later in the afternoon and it was decided to suspend the strike notices one week as requested by the premier.

LEGATION OF OLD CZAR FINALLY LEAVES CHINA.—PEKING, Sept. 23.—Termination of official relations with the Russian legation, announced by the foreign office today followed an exchange of communications between the legation and the foreign office after the latter had suspended the sending of cipher messages. Prince Koudacheff, the Russian minister, was willing to leave Peking only upon a formal request from the government that he should do so.

The initiative in leaving in view of the continued recognition of the legation by the foreign office.

The Russian government desired the minister to leave of his own volition in view of a peculiar situation here, the legation having no authority over Russian consuls and being considered as a neutral position of a real legation.

N. Y. BROKERAGE HOUSES INDICTED ON OIL SWINDLE.—NEW YORK, Sept. 24.—Three New York brokerage houses were indicted by federal court order today which alleged mail frauds exceeding \$200,000 in connection with the sale of stock in the Tuxpan Star Oil corporation, supposed to have wells at Tampico, Mexico. Members of the three firms—O'Brien and company, Low Brothers and Samuel S. Campbell and company—have been summoned to appear for pleading before Federal Judge William B. Sheppard.

Under the original indictment, found in June, 1918, Louis Roumagsack, president, and Francis Inman, president of the Tuxpan Oil company, were arrested and put under bail.

TEXAS LAWMAKERS STUDY STRINGENT STRIKE LAW.—AUSTIN, Tex., Sept. 24.—The house committee on military affairs of the Texas legislature began consideration of a bill submitted by Governor Hobby proposing more stringent laws dealing with industrial troubles at Texas ports. Several members have announced that they would offer amendments to the measure.

WOMAN JUMPS TO DEATH FROM ELEVENTH FLOOR.—SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 24.—Mrs. Annie E. Jones, 39, of San Jose was killed in a fall from the eleventh floor into a light well of the Flood building here yesterday, and eye witnesses said she jumped to her death, according to morgue authorities. She had been treated by a doctor in the building for a nervous disorder a few moments before.

### BANDITS USE LARGE CAR TO MAKE GETAWAY

Robbers Get \$6000 From Sugar Bank in Salt Lake Suburb

LOSS AT MORGAN IS LARGE, POLICE BELIEVE

Nash Automobile Stolen in Ogden May Figure in Robberies

Just a few minutes after city and county peace officers had word that bandits had blown their way into the First National bank of Morgan and had robbed the locked boxes of valuable securities, the three armed bandits had held up the Sugar bank at Sugar House and escaped in an automobile with \$6000.

Sheriff Brig Robinson of Morgan county was of the opinion that there is a connection between the two robberies. A large automobile is said to figure in both cases.

ROBBERY IN MORGAN.—In Morgan the robbers entered the bank by removing bars from a window. Then they forced their way into the safety deposit box room through the use of explosives.

Many of the boxes were forced open and their contents either taken or scattered over the floor. Sheriff Robinson says the bank officials were confronted with a huge task of checking with the owners of the boxes to learn what is missing and to whom the scattered securities on the floor belong.

NO ESTIMATE MADE.—Until the police make out a list of their missing property no estimate was available as to the amount the robbers obtained.

"I guess they got quite a bit," Sheriff Robinson said. He was trying to get a list of missing securities to aid in the capture of the robbers.

Reports from Salt Lake indicate the Sugar House bank robbery was sensational. The three bandits lined employees and others along the wall and held up the bank. The police secured the loot.

LARGE CAR STOLEN.—There is a local angle to the two robberies. The Sugar House bandits are reported to have taken a large Nash car. The description given of the car of this car leads them to believe it is the one stolen in Ogden a few days ago from the Pacific-Nash Motor company.

Sheriff Robinson of Morgan county said he was informed that a large car left Morgan in the direction of Ogden at about 4 o'clock.

SALT LAKE ROBBERY.—SALT LAKE, Sept. 24.—Six thousand dollars' cash was taken by three armed bandits shortly before 1 o'clock this morning when they held up the Sugar bank at Sugar House, a suburb of Salt Lake, according to reports received by the police. The bandits escaped in an automobile.

The robbers overtook \$15,000 in bills which were secreted in a drawer left by the bank shortly before the robbery was taken. The bank employees were lined up against the wall while the robbers made a search for the money.

They disappeared upon finding the \$6000 they were seeking. After threatening violence to the people in the bank if they made an outcry.

COX IGNORES OFFER OF PROHIBITION CANDIDATE.—ALEBUQUERQUE, N. M., Sept. 24.—Governor Cox will ignore proposals from the Prohibition party for retirement of Aaron S. Watkins, Prohibition candidate, from the presidential race if the governor would pledge himself to certain measures regarding the Volstead law. Governor Cox made this announcement upon the arrival here last night. It was understood that a similar proposal was made to Senator Harding.

Governor Cox stated, came in a letter about two weeks ago from Virgil G. Hinshaw, who said he acted officially, in the nature of a question, to determine whether or not the Volstead law and other prohibition questions. Mr. Hinshaw, it was said, expressed confidence that Mr. Watkins would retire from the presidential arena should Governor Cox reply favorably to the questionnaire.

No reply has been or will be made, Governor Cox said, and he declined also to comment upon a similar offer by Mr. Watkins.

CHICAGO GUN-MAN KILLS FORMER UNION OFFICER.—CHICAGO, Sept. 24.—Another victim yesterday was added to the toll of "gun-men" killed, when Richard "Whitey" Forbes, former official of the Auto Mechanics Union, was shot to death. Before death came the victim refused to reveal the name of his assailant, saying his pals would take care of the party who shot him.

Forbes was said to have been a member of the gang headed by "Tommy" Knight, brother of "Boss" Enright, who was murdered last spring.

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